## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-11 and 16 have been canceled, and Claims 12 and 15 have been amended, and new Claim 17 has been added. Accordingly, Claims 12-15 and 17 are pending in the present application. If any questions remain with regard to the present application, the Examiner is invited to telephone applicant's attorney at the number listed below.

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